



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Siev, et al.

Application No.: 09/122,576

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For: RESIN DERIVATIZATION METHOD AND USES THEREOF

Examiner:

Epperson, J.D.

Art Unit:

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING

GROUP

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Communication mailed May 7, 2003, Applicants have amended the response to the Office Action mailed October 17, 2002 to comply with the guidelines of the Revised Amendment Practice. In view of the amendment, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A Request for Continued Examination and a three-month extension of time was made in the response to the Office Action dated October 17, 2002.

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the listing of pending claims beginning on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.